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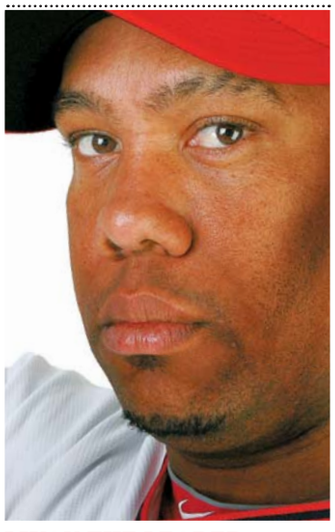

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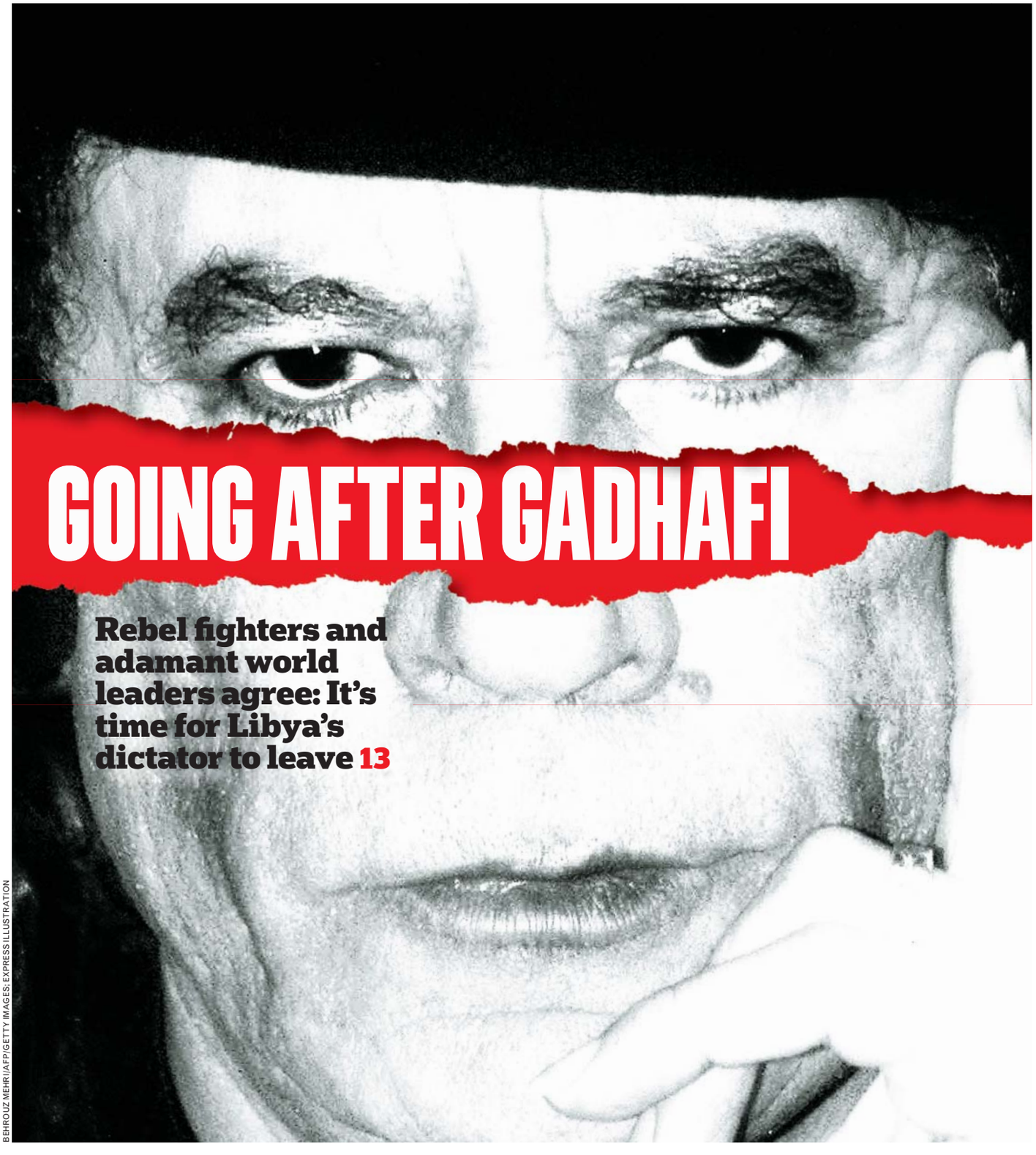

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Yet Another Novelty Proposal Ends in Tears

A man posing as a Minnesota high school mascot proposed during a basketball game. It happened Thursday night in the gym at Willmar High School. Bruce Just took the floor dressed as Willmar's Cardinal mascot. At midcourt, he removed the costume's head and asked assistant coach Sally Wilson to marry him. She tearfully said yes. (AP)

Anything We Write Here Will Anger Someone

A London company is offering ice cream made with human breast milk. The Icecreamists said its "Baby Gaga" ice cream sold out as soon as it launched Friday. Donations are screened in line with blood donor requirements. The milk is pasteurized and churned together with vanilla pods and lemon zest. The dish, served in a martini glass by a waitress dressed as Lady Gaga, sells for 14 pounds ($22.50) per serving. (AP)

If You Like This Page, You're Gonna LOVE This ...

Researchers at the University of Colorado's business school are behind Funnypolicereports.com. The school's Humor Research Lab studies why some things are funny. The site posts police blotter entries about such crimes as the theft of electronic toilet flushers from Oklahoma City restaurants. (AP)

The Big Picture

ITSUO INOUYE/AP

MARATHON RUNNER Joseph Tame stretches prior to testing the "iRun" in Tokyo on Friday. Tame ran Sunday's Tokyo Marathon in 6 hours, 28 minutes wearing his self-made mobile social media studio, equipped with four iPhones, an iPad, two Android handsets, a weather center and a heart monitor with a GPS. (AP)

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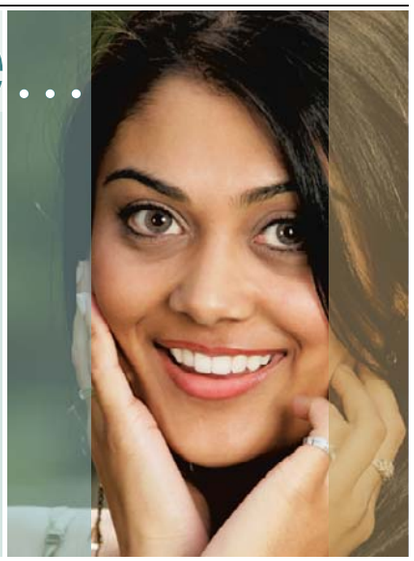


THIS WEEK

CIA Agent's Court Date

Pakistan officials say they will formally charge American CIA agent Raymond Davis on Thursday in the deaths of two Pakistanis. Davis says he acted in self-defense when he shot the men.

Apple iPad's Next Chapter

Eager second-generation iPad customers may possibly come closer to having the new tablet in their hands soon. Apple is hosting a media event Wednesday, hinting at an unveiling of the follow-up to the original.

Rio Carnival Kicks Off

The Rio Carnival kicks off Friday with an opening ceremony crowning the carnival king and the Children's Samba Schools Parade. The carnival runs through March 8.

U.S. Research's Horrifying History

Bioethics commission to hear details about startling medical tests

Atlanta

Shocking as it may seem, U.S. government doctors once thought it was fine to experiment on disabled people and prison inmates. Such experiments included giving hepatitis to mental patients in Connecticut, squirting a pandemic flu virus up the noses of prisoners in Maryland, and injecting cancer cells into chronically ill people at a New York hospital.

Much of this horrific history is 40 to 80 years old, but it is the backdrop for a meeting in Washington this week by a presidential bioethics commission. The meeting was triggered by the government's apology last fall for federal doctors' infecting prisoners and mental patients in Guatemala with syphilis 65 years ago.

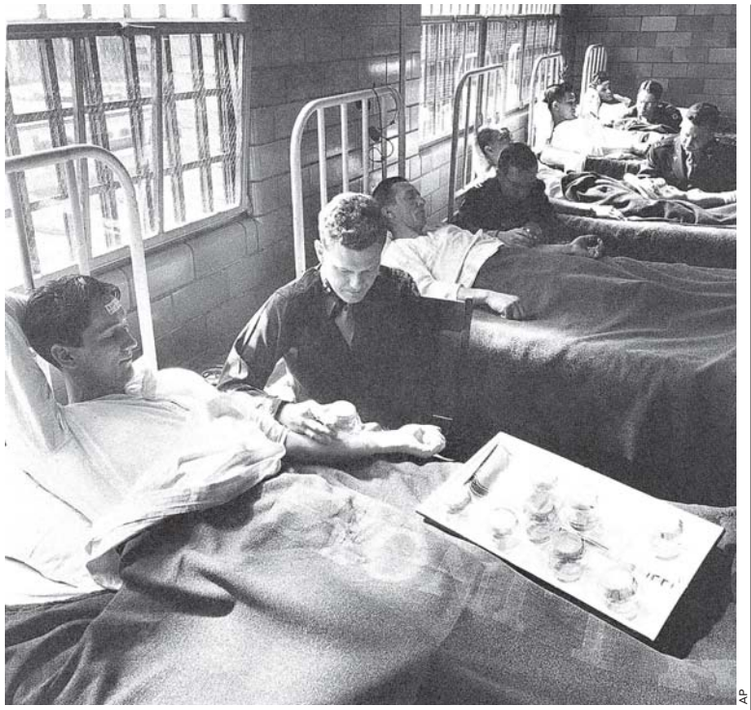
"When you give somebody a disease — even by the standards of their time — you really cross the key ethical norm of the profession," said Arthur Caplan, director of the University of Pennsylvania's Center for Bioethics.

Some of these studies, mostly from the 1940s to the '60s, apparently were never covered by news media. Others were reported at the time, but the focus was on the promise of enduring new cures, while glossing over how test subjects were treated.

Attitudes about medical research were different then. Infectious diseases killed many more people years ago, and doctors worked urgently to invent and test cures. Many researchers felt it was legitimate to experiment on people who did not have full rights in society — people such as prisoners, mental patients and poor blacks. It was an attitude similar to that of Nazi doctors experimenting on Jews.

"There was definitely a sense — that we don't have today — that sacrifice for the nation was important," said Laura Stark, a Wesleyan University assistant professor of science in society, who is writing a book about past federal medical experiments.

MIKE STOBBE (AP)



AP

Army doctors expose patients to malaria-carrying mosquitoes June 25, 1945, in the malaria ward at Stateville Penitentiary in Crest Hill, Ill., to test antimalarial drugs.

Violation of 'First, Do No Harm'

An exhaustive review found more than 40 questionable experiments. At best, these were a search for lifesaving treatments; at worst, some amounted to curiosity-satisfying experiments that hurt people and provided no useful results. Inevitably, they will be compared to the well-known Tuskegee syphilis study. In that episode, U.S. health officials tracked 600 black men between 1932 and 1972 in Alabama who had syphilis but didn't give them adequate treatment, even after penicillin became available. These studies were worse in at least one respect — they violated the concept of "First, do no harm," a fundamental medical principle. (AP)

Hidden for Decades

In the 1946-48 study, American scientists infected prisoners and patients in a mental hospital in Guatemala with syphilis, apparently to test whether penicillin could prevent some sexually transmitted diseases. The study came up with no useful information and was hidden for decades. The Guatemala study nauseated ethicists on multiple levels. Beyond infecting patients with a terrible illness, it was clear that people in the study did not understand what was being done to them or were not able to give their consent. (AP)

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Nation

Wis. Protesters Remain

Hundreds defy order by police, officials to vacate state Capitol

Madison

About 200 pro-union protesters left the Wisconsin Capitol on Sunday, but police stood by as many hundreds of others remained in defiance of a deadline state officials set for clearing the building after an almost two-week-long sit-in.

The state agency that oversees the Capitol asked the demonstrators who have been camping out at the Capitol since Feb. 15 to leave by 4 p.m. Sunday or risk arrest, saying the building was in dire need of a cleaning. But in the hours before the deadline came and went, it was clear most protesters did not intend to leave voluntarily. Capitol Police Chief Charles Tubbs said no one had been arrested as of about 5 p.m.

Protesters have remained in the building since Feb. 15. They are fighting legislation proposed by Wisconsin's new Republican governor, Scott Walker, that would strip unions of the right to collectively bargain.

Labor leaders and Democratic lawmakers say the bill is intended to undermine the unions and weaken a key Democratic Party base.

But Walker argues that the Republican-backed bill would help close a projected $3.6 billion deficit in the 2011-13 budget, and that freeing local governments from collective bargaining would give them the necessary flexibility to deal with deep budget cuts.

The bill stalled in the state Senate when its 14 Democratic lawmakers fled the state for Illinois, leaving the legislative body one vote short of a quorum.

Wisconsin's standoff is being closely watched by pro- and anti-union groups in other states. Large crowds of teachers, firefighters and public workers gathered for pro-union rallies in capital cities including Denver; Topeka, Kan.; Harrisburg, Pa.; and Olympia, Wash. (AP)

Gov. Walker: Protests Don't Sway Me

Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker said Sunday on NBC's "Meet the Press" that the two weeks of protests in the state Capitol haven't swayed his resolve to eliminate collective bargaining rights for most public employees. Leaders of Wisconsin's largest public workers' unions have capitulated to Walker's demands for their members to cover more of their pension and health care benefits to help close Wisconsin's budget deficit. (AP)

70,000

The estimated number of people demonstrating at Wisconsin's Capitol on Saturday evening — the largest demonstration since protesters first met there Feb. 15. (AP)

Freight Train Derails in Wash.

TED S. WARREN/AP

WORKERS GATHER NEAR DERAILED TRAIN CARS at the Chambers Bay golf course Sunday in University Place, Wash. No one was injured after a freight train derailed Saturday night and sideswiped another, sending some cars carrying sodium hydroxide, or lye, careening off the rails near Puget Sound, officials said. Fourteen cars derailed, including four tankers and one of the tankers leaked about 50 gallons of the chemical on land before being sealed.

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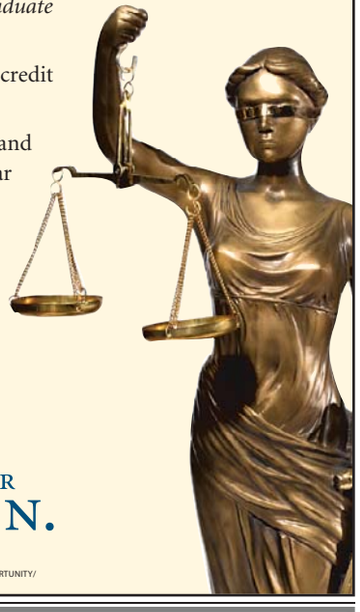

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Weekend Review

1 WASHINGTON

Obama Calls for Gadhafi To Quit as Libyan Leader

On Saturday, President Obama, for the first time, called on Moammar Gadhafi to step down, saying that the Libyan government must be held accountable for its brutal crackdown on dissenters. The administration also announced new sanctions against Libya. **(AP)**

2 TEHRAN, IRAN

Iran Suffers Big Setback In Nuclear Program

In a major setback to Iran's nuclear program, technicians will have to unload fuel from the country's first atomic power plant due to an unspecified safety concern. Tehran has touted Bushehr as its premier nuclear facility. **(AP)**

3 CHRISTCHURCH, NEW ZEALAND

Quake Death Toll Rises To 147, Authorities Say

The death toll from Tuesday's 6.3-magnitude earthquake in Christchurch, New Zealand, rose Sunday to 147, officials said. Prime Minister John Key has said the quake, which decimated the city's downtown, may be the country's "single-most tragic" disaster. **(AP)**

ARIF ALI/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

4 Searing Anger in Pakistan

A man leaps on a burning effigy of CIA contractor Raymond Davis on Saturday in Lahore, Pakistan. Davis, who is accused of killing two Pakistanis, on Friday refused to sign a charge sheet in a Pakistani court. The situation continues to strain U.S.-Pakistan relations.

5 "Democrats ... have said Republican cuts are draconian. But it's clear that the only thing that's draconian is the idea of defending the status quo in Washington."

— **REP. PETER ROSKAM,** R-ILL., SPEAKING FRIDAY AFTER REPUBLICANS TENTATIVELY EMBRACED A TWO-WEEK STOPGAP EXTENSION TO KEEP THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT RUNNING THROUGH MARCH 18.

6 MOSCOW

U.S. Returns Documents Stolen From Russia

A trove of historic archive documents dating back to Catherine the Great that were stolen after the Soviet breakup were returned to Russia by the U.S. on Friday. U.S. Ambassador John Beyrle said the return is "part of our efforts to broaden and deepen the relationship between our two countries overall." **(AP)**

7 DUBLIN

An official on Saturday recounts ballots cast Friday in Ireland's general election. Opposition parties were expected to make historic gains.

8 KANDAHAR, AFGHANISTAN

1.5M

The amount of gas, in gallons, consumed daily by NATO forces in the war efforts in Afghanistan, NATO officials said. In 2010, tankers transporting fuel were destroyed by insurgents at a rate of about three per week, according to officials. **(AP)**

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World

Tunisia's PM Resigns Amid New Protests

Replacement named by president in latest move to ease unrest

Tunis, Tunisia

Tunisia's interim president chose a former government minister as a new prime minister on Sunday, appealing for a return to calm after new violent protests that have been hobbling this North African country since the ouster of its long-time autocratic leader.

Beji Caid-Essebsi will replace Mohammed Ghannouchi, who resigned earlier Sunday after becoming a major irritant to Tunisians behind the so-called "Jasmine Revolution" that toppled autocratic President Zine El Abidine Ben Ali last month and sparked a wave of upheaval in the Arab world.

Caid-Essebsi is a statesman and lawyer who served in government posts under Tunisia's two longtime leaders since it gained independence from France in 1956.

As Ben Ali's prime minister for 11 years, Ghannouchi became the emblem of an entrenched old guard that many Tunisians feared were hijacking their revolution.

"This [resignation] is not a flight from my responsibilities, but to open the way for another prime minister who — I hope — will have more margin for action than I have had, to give hope to the Tunisian people," Ghannouchi said.

It was unclear how much the shake-up would mollify protesters. Officials said at least five people have died in violent protests since Friday, and nearly 200 were arrested over the last two days.

The Interior Ministry, in a statement Saturday, blamed "provocateurs" for fomenting violence in otherwise peaceful rallies and for allegedly using young people as human shields in renewed demonstrations.

Some Tunisians believe that Ben Ali loyalists have sought to sow discord and discredit the movement that brought the former authoritarian leader down. **BOUAZZA BEN BOUAZZA (AP)**

Meanwhile ...

Protests against the grip of Gulf rulers widened Sunday as riot police in Oman battled pro-democracy demonstrators in a deadly clash that raised tensions in the region. In the town of Sohar, security forces fired tear gas and rubber bullets at protesters. At least one person was killed, officials said. It marked the first serious confrontation against protesters demanding a greater voice in the country's affairs. **(AP)**

Quake-Marred Churches Reflect in New Zealand

Christchurch, New Zealand

Parishioners came together Sunday in parks and on the lawns of churches broken in New Zealand's earthquake to pray for the dead and missing. They sought togetherness and an answer to the question on everyone's mind: Why?

"The randomness of the events throws up the 'Why?' question more starkly," the Rev. Mark Chamberlain told about 100 people who came to hear his sermon outside St. Barnabas Anglican Church, where cracks line the walls, stained glass windows are shattered, and the tower is sinking.

The death toll from Tuesday's 6.3-magnitude quake remained at 147 early Monday, with more than 50 people still unaccounted for, officials said. The death toll was expected to rise.

The churches that dot the city felt some of the worst of the temblor's wrath. Spires toppled, stained glass windows exploded, walls cracked and masonry fell.

MARK BAKER/AP

Cleanup continues after Tuesday's quake in Christchurch, New Zealand.

"This is not called Christchurch for nothing," the Rev. Philip Robinson said, drawing smiles at St. Barnabas. "We will rise again."

Members of New Zealand's indigenous Maori community held a ceremony at a ruined cathedral to bless spirits of the dead believed buried under the rubble there.

Still others spent their Sunday morning in such secular surroundings as the botanical gardens, where oak trees block the noise of the city's rescue and recovery operations. **(AP)**

Landslide Ravages Bolivian Neighborhood

AIZAR RALDES/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

RESIDENTS TRY TO RECOVER on belongings from vehicles stranded on a road destroyed by a landslide near La Paz, Bolivia, on Sunday. Heavy rains caused the hilltop to collapse that day, destroying at least 400 homes in the process, though local officials said no fatalities have been reported.

In Brief

PARIS

Sarkozy Shifts Cabinet

French President Nicolas Sarkozy on Sunday announced a Cabinet shuffle, jettisoning Foreign Minister Michele Alliot-Marie, who had been roundly criticized for her closeness to Tunisia's ousted regime. The move comes just three months after his previous Cabinet reshuffling and with the presidential election ahead next year. **(AP)**

MEXICO CITY

14 Killed in Bar Attacks

At least 14 people were killed in three separate attacks in bars in northern Mexico, authorities said Sunday. In Coahuila state, across the border from Texas, nine men died late Saturday when gunmen opened fire inside two bars in separate attacks, state prosecutors said in a statement. Eleven others were wounded. **(AP)**

LONDON

Report: Lockerbie Bomber Blackmailed Gadhafi

Abdel Baset al-Megrahi, the man convicted of the Lockerbie bombing, had blackmailed Libyan ruler Moammar Gadhafi into securing his release by threatening to expose his role in the 1988 attack, a former Libyan justice minister, Mustafa Abdel-Jalil, said in a report in the Sunday Times. **(AP)**

65 **The number of civilian casualties,** including 40 children, killed in a Feb. 17 NATO attack on insurgents in Afghanistan, according to an Afghan government report released Sunday. NATO has not confirmed any civilian deaths in the assault. The incident inflamed tensions between the Afghan government and NATO forces. Both sides opened investigations. **(AP)**

World

Flutters of Wistful Thinking in South Korea

LEE JIN-MAN/AP

A WOMAN READS wishes for unification with North Korea tied to the fence along the demilitarized zone in Paju, South Korea. On Sunday, the North threatened to enlarge its nuclear arsenal and "mercilessly" attack the South and the U.S., as the allies prepared for their annual joint military drills.

Iraq Moves to Purge Corruption

Al-Maliki: Ministers will have 100 days to improve conduct

Baghdad

Iraq's prime minister on Sunday gave his ministers 100 days to improve their performance or risk being fired — an apparent response to deadly anti-government protests against poor public services.

Also Sunday, Iraq's parliament speaker called for new provincial and municipal elections as a way of addressing the public's growing frustration over corruption, high unemployment and electricity shortages.

Meanwhile ...

More clashes erupted Sunday in Amarah, 200 miles southeast of Baghdad. A city resident said protesters threw stones at the provincial council building, and guards opened fire to disperse them. Security forces imposed a curfew and ordered nearby shops to close, the resident said. A top official for Maysan province said 27 people, including seven policemen, were injured. **(AP)**

Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki's warning to his ministers and Speaker Osama al-Nujaifi's call for elections came two days after thousands participated in the largest anti-government protests in Iraq since unrest began spreading in the Arab world several weeks ago.

Al-Maliki told his Cabinet on Sunday he would hold each minister accountable, and a statement also stressed that ministers will be evaluated and must answer for corruption.

"Changes will be made in light of the evaluation results," the statement said.

Al-Nujaifi said elections for the provincial and city councils should be held within three to four months, which would first require parliament to amend the election law.

Two provincial governors, the entire city council and the mayor of Fallujah have quit. **(AP)**

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The only time my wallet was ever stolen was on the Metro. I think. I was 14 years old and it's also quite possible I just left it behind on some Red Line train. But one thing I am certain of: Whoever ended up with that tie-dyed bifold only scored five bucks and my student ID.

By Vicky Hallett

These days, I'm packing more precious stuff, so news that crime is on the rise in the transit system has me feeling justifiably paranoid. The scariest stats are the ones related to violent crimes — the seven rapes and 136 assaults reported last year make those dimly lit platforms look especially foreboding. But we riders are much more likely to be the victims of robberies. There were more than 1,000 thefts in 2010, fueled by a surge of electronics "snatches."

Determined not to be the target of pickpockets, I've tried to do the sensible thing and keep my valuables tucked away. My wallet is easy to plunge to the bottom of my purse and defend with various layers of reporter's notebooks and granola bars. But my iPad yearns to be free.

In theory, I'm entirely capable of not reading "The Emperor of All Maladies" on my Kindle app for the seven minutes it takes me to go from Union Station to Farragut North. Reality, however, is a different story. To compensate, I've taken to grabbing it with a death grip and staring down anyone suspicious in my vicinity.

Sometimes I can't help but play the "What if I were a crook?" game and determine which schlubs would be my targets. It would be a more fun diversion if I didn't have to worry about the Swisha Splash Boys or some other gang of Metro thieves actually hopping onto my car. And maybe in the future, I won't. WMATA just announced a proposal to give students ID passes designed to make them accountable for their bad behavior, which is, hopefully, the first step in improving the policing of these crimes.

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Local

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Commuters form slug lines on 14th Street NW. The commuter gets a free ride, and the driver gets to qualify for the HOV lanes.

Slug Lines Move Again

D.C. ride-share spot relocates for second time after complaints

Washington

The sluggers have spoken — again.

Beginning Monday, slug ride-sharing lines on 15th Street NW in the District will relocate for the second time in recent months because of commuter complaints that the site was too crowded and difficult to access.

Commuters gave input at a public meeting that the District Department of Transportation held in October. At the meeting, it was determined that the slug lines on 15th Street between H Street and New York Avenue limited the number of vehicles that could pick up sluggers because H Street is one-way, said John Lisle, a spokesman for the department.

The slug lines will move to a new location on New York Avenue, between 14th and 15th streets.

Passengers can be picked up between 3:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. at the new location, and transportation officials will be on site Monday to provide commuters with assistance.

> **"[15th St.] was kind of tight. ... It really just wasn't a very good location from the start."**
>
> — **DAVE LEBLANC,** WHO OPERATES SLUG-LINES.COM.

The 15th Street spot was selected last year as a pilot location after the transportation department asked commuters for input on a new slugging spot. At the time, it was considered a preferred location compared with the busy 14th Street corridor, where some drivers were being ticketed for blocking rush-hour lanes.

But as it turned out, 15th Street had issues, too, because "it was kind of tight, and for the drivers to get over there was kind of a problem," said Dave LeBlanc, who runs Slug-lines.com. "It really just wasn't a very good location from the start."

The New York Avenue site provides access directly off 14th Street and is easier to get to from other parts of the city. It is more spacious, too, with wider sidewalks for slug lines to form, LeBlanc said.

Stops for the Omniride bus routes, operated by the Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission, will also move Monday from 14th Street and New York Avenue to 15th Street and New York Avenue, where buses will be closer to the new slug-line location.

KAFIA A. HOSH (THE WASHINGTON POST)

Exposure Alert: Loudoun County health officials said people at Dulles International Airport on Feb. 20 may have been exposed to a person with measles. Officials said people who were in the International Arrivals and Baggage Claim level of the main terminal from 3:15 to 7:15 p.m. that day may have been exposed. The Associated Press reported that a measles-infected New Mexico woman arrived at Dulles and, two days later, departed from BWI Airport. (AP)

In Brief

ROCKVILLE, MD.

Md. Task Force: Buses Are Solution to Gridlock

Members of a Montgomery County transit task force say the best way to deal with gridlock is to add more buses. Montgomery County Councilmember Marc Elrich says bus rapid transit systems combine the benefits of light rail and bus technology. The panel says if the county can get 10 to 15 percent more residents out of their cars, traffic could be reduced to more reasonable levels. (AP)

WASHINGTON

Judge Rejects Challenge To D.C. Tour Guide Law

A federal judge has refused to suspend District of Columbia regulations that require tour operators to pass a history test before getting a license. The owners of a Segway tour company filed a lawsuit in September 2010 saying the city's licensing regulations should be invalidated on free-speech grounds and asking they be suspended while a legal challenge goes forward. (AP)

WASHINGTON

National Gallery Opens Major Gauguin Exhibit

The National Gallery of Art is showing major works by the French artist Paul Gauguin — the first major U.S. exhibition of his works in about 20 years. The exhibit, "Gauguin: Maker of Myth," which opened Sunday, was organized with the Tate Modern in London where it has been on view since September. (AP)

The Lotteries

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"You can get really valuable data that really impacts product development or communications development," says Susan Misukanis, president of TopRank Online Marketing, which develops surveys for clients.

But filling out surveys can be a drag, so marketers often offer significant incentives: At E-rewards.com, for example, you can rack up free airline points. Other sites offer gift cards and even cash.

Here are tips on finding deals that are worth your while.

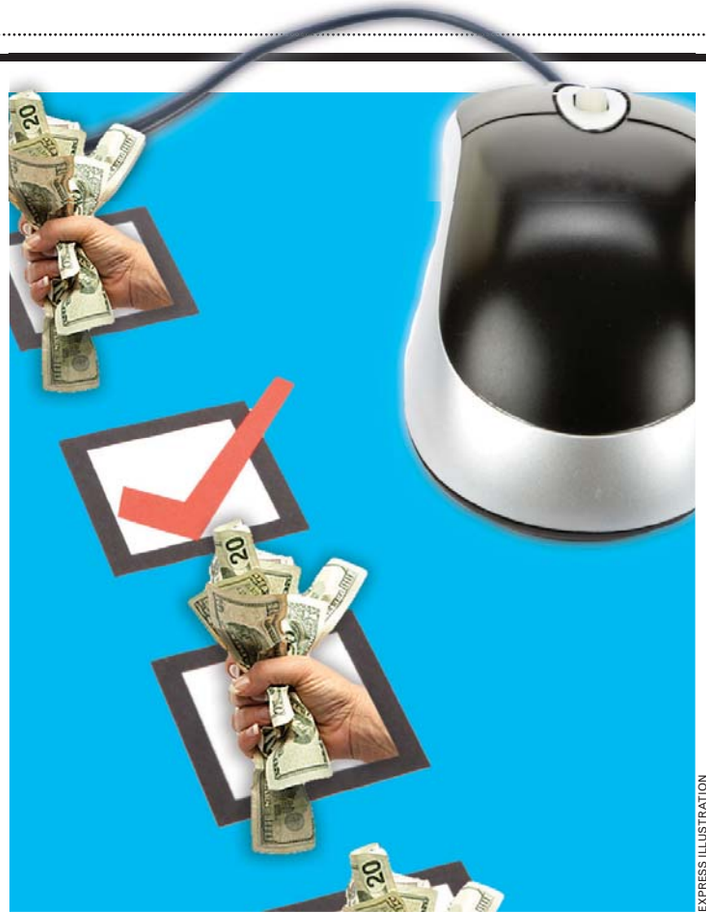
Do Your Research

Find legitimate surveys through trade organizations such as the Council of American Survey Research Organizations, which requires its members to adhere to a code of standards and ethics, or the Council for Marketing and Opinion Research.

Be Diligent

Before you start filling out online surveys, get organized. Start a PayPal account, and use password management software such as RoboForm or LastPass to save your passwords for different sites. Keep track of which surveys you fill out, what rewards you are due and whether you receive them. It's also a good idea to set up a separate e-mail address specifically for surveys to avoid the follow-up marketing and other spam.

Make sure that surveys you fill out come from companies that work directly with clients, not sites that send you surveys from other companies. Another good idea is to make sure the domain name of the survey site matches the name of the company conducting the survey.



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The average number of minutes it takes to fill out an online survey. Keep in mind that because of the time, your hourly income from surveys usually will be very low. (AP)

Be Vigilant

As with any online activity, stay on the lookout for offers that are too good to be true, and for phishing and other scams. Avoid any survey touted in an unsolicited e-mail, for instance; it's most likely a scam. Antiphishing.org has helpful information about how to avoid being duped.

Misukanis recommends researching any site you're considering before you begin entering information. Also check its name with a service such as Surveypolice.com, which rates survey sites and aims to distinguish the scams from bona fide sites.

Never give any credit information or your Social Security number. Never pay to take a survey; reputable companies' surveys are free. Finally, it's crucial to check the company's privacy policy to ensure it won't share or sell your information. **MAE ANDERSON (AP)**

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Troubled Calm in Libya

Opposition forces are steeling for civil war as Gadhafi tries to bolster his regime

Zawiya, Libya

With residents shouting "Free, free Libya," anti-government rebels who control this battle-scarred city nearest the capital deployed tanks and anti-aircraft weapons Sunday, bracing for an attack by troops loyal to Moammar Gadhafi.

In the capital, Tripoli, where Gadhafi is still in control, state banks began handing out the equivalent of $400 per family in a bid to shore up public loyalty.

"The Libyan people are fully behind me," Gadhafi defiantly told Serbian TV, even as about half the country was turning against him and world leaders moved to isolate him through sanctions. "A small group [of rebels] is surrounded ... and it will be dealt with."

Gadhafi has launched by far the bloodiest crackdown in a wave of anti-government uprisings sweeping the Arab world, the most serious challenge to his four decades in power.

Gadhafi's son, Seif al-Islam, insisted that his father won't relinquish power and that Libya had not used force or airstrikes against its own people.

"Show me a single attack. Show me a single bomb," he told ABC's "This Week." "The Libyan air force destroyed just the ammunition sites. That's it."

There were no reports of major violence or clashes on Sunday.

Human rights groups and European officials have put the death toll since unrest began in Libya nearly two weeks ago at hundreds — perhaps thousands — although it has been virtually impossible to verify the numbers.

The British-educated Seif al-Islam is the most visible of Gadhafi's children and has been acting as a spokesman for the regime.

"The whole south is calm. The west is calm. The middle is calm. Even part of the east," he said.

The regime, eager to reinforce its view that Libya is under its control, took journalists on Sunday to Zawiya, 30 miles west of Tripoli. The tour, however, confirmed that rebels control the center of the city of 200,000 people, with tanks and anti-aircraft guns mounted on pickup trucks at the ready.

Hundreds of people chanted "Gadhafi out!" Zawiya, a key city close to an oil port and refineries, is the nearest population center to Tripoli to fall into rebel hands.

"To us, Gadhafi is the 'Dracula' of Libya," said Wael al-Oraibi, an army officer in Zawiya who defected. Rebels and defectors largely consolidated control of Zawiya on Thursday, after an army unit loyal to Gadhafi opened fire on a mosque.

On Zawiya's outskirts were pro-Gadhafi forces, also backed by tanks and anti-aircraft guns, and about 20 miles west, about 3,000 pro-Gadhafi demonstrators gathered, chanting in support of the Libyan leader.

Gadhafi loyalists remain in control of Tripoli, where most stores were closed. One resident said Tripoli's calm may be deceptive.

"The situation is being constructed to look natural, but it is not," said a 40-year-old Tripoli businessman. "People are scared, and they are waiting for the fall of the regime." (AP)

50K

The number of people who have escaped from Libya via a border crossing at Ras Adjir, Tunisia, in the past week, according to European Commission's Humanitarian Aid Office. (AP)

Leadership Limbo

In Libya's second-largest city, Benghazi, politicians said Sunday that they are setting up a council to run day-to-day affairs in the eastern half of the country under their control. It was seen as the first attempt to create a leadership body that could eventually form an alternative to Moammar Gadhafi's government. Former justice minister Mustafa Abdel-Jalil, who defected from the Gadhafi regime, had said Saturday he was setting up a provisional government, but a prominent human rights lawyer, Abdel-Hafidh Ghoga, held a news conference to shoot down the claim, announcing that representatives of the city councils of all rebel-held cities were setting up a transitional council. The contradictory statements were the first signs of a struggle to set up an alternative leadership to Gadhafi, who is rapidly losing his grip on the nation. (AP)

Opposition troops at a checkpoint near Ajdabiya, Libya, prepare for a potential showdown with government loyalists on Sunday.

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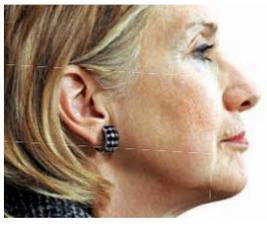

"We want him to leave. We want him to end his regime and call off the mercenaries and forces loyal to him. How he manages that is up to him."

— **SECRETARY OF STATE HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON,** DISCUSSING ON SUNDAY THE UNITED STATES' STANCE ON LIBYAN DICTATOR MOAMMAR GADHAFI. THE U.S., BRITAIN AND THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL ALL PLACED SANCTIONS ON LIBYA OVER THE WEEKEND.

"I TRY TO PLAY FIVE MORE YEARS AND SEE WHAT'S HAPPENING. I WANT TO BE THE JAMIE MOYER OF RIGHT-HANDERS."

A Real Throwback

Nats' Hernandez sets an example by using brains over power

The Nationals

Livan Hernandez brings value to the Nationals that can't simply be summed up by saying he eats up innings, never misses a start and fields his position flawlessly.

The team sees the 36-year-old veteran right-hander as the perfect mentor to a clubhouse full of young, talented arms.

"Livan reminds you that the position is called pitcher — it's not thrower," Nationals manager Jim Riggleman said. "He gets people out by pitching. He's a great example to those other guys of what it takes to be successful in terms of fine-tuning your craft."

Earlier this spring, Riggleman said he wasn't going to announce Hernandez as the Nationals opening day starter yet, but in the next breath declared the crafty veteran had earned it. Hernandez will make his first start of spring training Tuesday, when Washington hosts the New York Mets.

Location Is Everything

Hernandez's days of throwing fastballs that top out in the 90s have long passed. He gets hitters out with his guile and experience, and with a two-seam sinking fastball.

First baseman Adam LaRoche, who faced Hernandez often throughout his career before signing with Washington as a free agent this offseason, likens him to a former Atlanta Braves Cy Young-winning left-hander.

"He reminds me of a right-handed Tom Glavine," LaRoche said. "I can remember facing Glavine and you know you're not getting anything over the heart of the plate. When you do, it almost surprises you because it's so rare that they miss over the middle of the plate."

Noted Hernandez: "In baseball, it's about real estate. You buy a good house in a good location, you're doing good. It's like that. You put the ball in a good location, nobody can hit you."

Learning His Trade

Being in a locker room full of young pitchers, including Stephen Strasburg and Jordan Zimmermann, helps keep the jovial Hernandez feeling young. He likes to give them advice about their approach to certain hitters, even though they throw as much as 10 mph faster than he does. He also likes to be an example of what it takes to survive in this game.

Strasburg, who is rehabbing from Tommy John surgery, got a chance to watch Hernandez pitch last season. The first pick in the 2009 draft gleaned a lot from watching the veteran.

"I've learned just to go out there and be comfortable," Strasburg said. "Go out there and pitch with what you know you have and, really, just give it everything you've got every single day. Pitch without any doubt.

"A guy like that, to still be pitching in this league, it shows that he has all the confidence in the world in himself — and that's how every pitcher should be." (AP)

Backstory

While he is the unquestioned leader of the Nationals' pitching staff now, Livan Hernandez did not have a job just a year ago when pitchers and catchers reported to spring training. He signed a one-year minor-league contract with Washington on Feb. 24 with the idea he would become the team's fifth starter. Though he didn't get much run support and his record was 10-12, his ERA of 3.66 was his best since 2004 — during his first stint with the Nationals. His performance earned him a $1 million contract with Washington for 2011. (AP)

Sports

Snow Covers the Greens at the Match Play Championship

JULIE JACOBSON/AP

A COURSE WORKER AT THE RITZ-CARLTON GOLF CLUB drives a golf court on Sunday along the snow-covered fairways before the Match Play Championship final in Marana, Ariz. Despite the storm, the event went ahead as scheduled.

In Brief

PRO BASEBALL

Duke Snider Dies at 84

Duke Snider, the Hall of Fame center fielder for the charmed "Boys of Summer" who helped the Dodgers bring their only World Series crown to Brooklyn, died early Sunday of what his family called natural causes. He was 84. **(AP)**

MEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS

Louisville Tops Pitt in OT

Kyle Kuric scored 12 points, including two big baskets in overtime, to lead No. 16 Louisville past No. 4 Pittsburgh 62-59 on Sunday. Kuric had a potential game-winning layup blocked at the end of regulation but atoned with a 3-pointer and the clinching dunk in OT. **(AP)**

PRO BASKETBALL

Lakers Edge the Thunder

Pau Gasol had 18 points and 11 rebounds, Kobe Bryant scored 17 points, and the Los Angeles Lakers extended their cushion over Oklahoma City in the Western Conference standings with 90-87 win on Sunday. **(AP)**

PRO HOCKEY

Lightning Drops Rangers

Martin St. Louis had a goal and assist, and Vincent Lecavalier snapped a third-period tie during a two-man power play to lift Tampa Bay to a 2-1 victory over the New York Rangers on Sunday in the Lightning's first road game in more than a month. **(AP)**

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Sergio Pacheco is originally from South America. He's been involved in fitness from a very early age participating in sports such as soccer, football, and basketball. He started learning martial arts at age 11, and stopped in order to concentrate on soccer. He started training in boxing and muay thai at age 19 and has also been a personal trainer for the past 3 years. He specializes in strength and conditioning, and also TRX and kettlebell training. Sergio enjoys helping individuals reach their fitness goals whether its with weight loss or helping fighters get ready for a fight. Sergio also has experience training secret service agents and law enforcement. He is a senior at George Mason University and hopes to pursue a professional fight career after he graduates this summer.

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Sports

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Hokies fans storm the court after Virginia Tech beat Duke, 64-40, on Saturday night.

Hokies Make Case For the Big Dance

After toppling No. 1 Duke, Va. Tech has needed signature win

Hokies Hoops

After three-consecutive years of being on the NCAA tournament bubble and winding up disappointed in the NIT, Virginia Tech senior Malcolm Delaney hopes the Hokies made a pretty strong case for inclusion in the big tournament this year.

The Hokies used a late 15-4 run over a span of 4½ minutes to turn a six-point deficit into a five-point lead Saturday night, and they held off top-ranked Duke 64-60, getting the badly needed signature victory that could boost their NCAA credentials significantly.

"A lot of teams, down six to Duke, would have just folded up and let Duke put the game away, but we didn't," Delaney said. "We buckled up and got stops."

The win was Virginia Tech's third over a No. 1-ranked team during coach Seth Greenberg's eight seasons in Blacksburg and greatly improved the Hokies' chances of securing their first NCAA tournament berth since 2007.

"This evening was just one of those magical moments," said Greenberg, who was on the verge of tears as he made his way through the thousands of fans exulting on the court. "For this group that's won a lot of games, to have this stage and embrace it and have it not be a burden, that was pretty exciting." (AP/THE WASHINGTON POST)

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Maryland's men's basketball game against North Carolina ended after Express' deadline on Sunday. For a full recap on the ACC contest | washingtonpost.com/sports

Hearsay

"We would like to add jump and difference to our team. What we don't want to do is dramatically change our team with a rental in exchange for several talented young assets."

— **CAPS OWNER TED LEONSIS,** ON HIS BLOG, "TED'S TAKE." LEONSIS IS EYEING A SMART MOVE BEFORE MONDAY'S NHL TRADE DEADLINE TO BOOST A STANLEY CUP RUN.

Thomas Leads Terps Past Eagles

Terps Women's Hoops

Alyssa Thomas had 17 points and nine rebounds, Kim Rodgers scored 16 points, and No. 15 Maryland made up for a rough shooting game with strong defense to beat Boston College 79-69 on Sunday.

The Terrapins (23-6, 9-5 Atlantic Coast Conference) went just 3-3 in their last six regular-season games after winning seven straight.

Stefanie Murphy led Boston College with 21 points and 10 rebounds before fouling out in the final minute.

Anjale Barrett had 15 points and Lynetta Kizer 14 for Maryland, which entered the day needing help to get one of the top four spots and a bye in the upcoming league tournament.

Maryland shot just 42.4 percent from the floor but held the Eagles to 39.1 percent and forced 17 turnovers. (AP)

TV Lineup

WIZARDS (7 P.M., CSN) John Wall leads the Wizards against Derrick Rose and the Chicago Bulls.

MEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS (7 P.M., 9 P.M., ESPN) Notre Dame hosts Villanova in a Big East game, and Texas takes on Kansas State in the Big 12.

PRO HOCKEY (8 P.M., VERSUS) The Chicago Blackhawks visit the Minnesota Wild.

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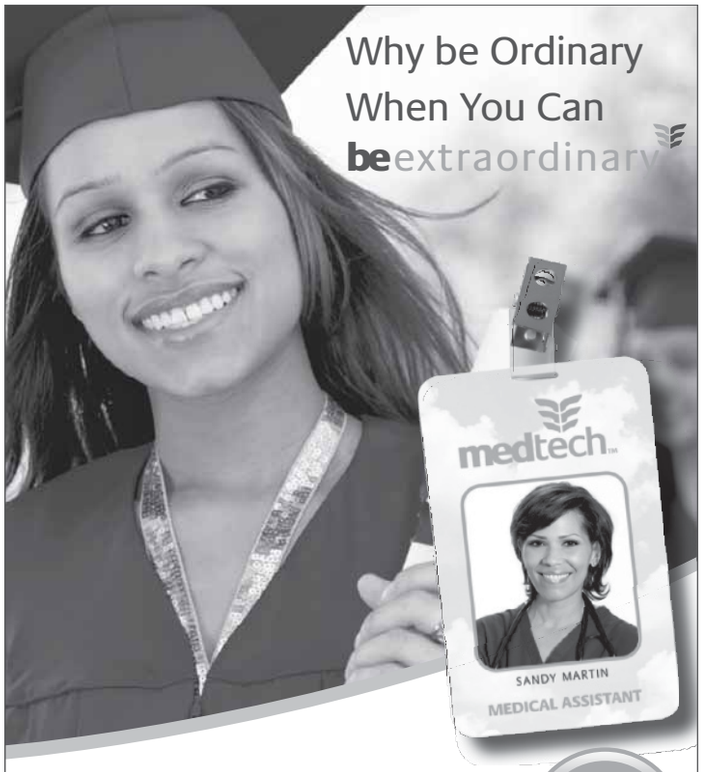

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Booze Clues

Mardi Gras Mach 2

Ever talked to someone who spent Mardi Gras in New Orleans? Even if she was just on spring break from Vassar, her eyes will get huge and she'll struggle for adjectives to describe how amazing it was. Well,

By Fiona Zublin

those people would never even make it back from Brazil's Carnaval celebration, which makes the wildest U.S. Mardi Gras party look like a really boring episode of "Friends." Brazil's party lasts a week, and if you don't get crushed by roving samba gangs or wake up in the jungle with alcohol poisoning, you get a medal.*

You probably didn't move to D.C. for that kind of excitement. Regardless, Cafe Atlantico (405 8th St. NW) is holding a Carnaval weekend featuring samba performances Friday and Saturday night, and a whole lot of Cachaca, a Brazilian spirit produced from raw sugarcane that's pronounced "ka-SHA-sa." (Or, during the free tasting from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday, it's pronounced: "So, you just take this as a shot?") The tasting will also include instruction in capoeira, a Brazilian martial art. If you'd rather split up the drinking and the physical activity, there are more capoeira demos on Sunday from 3 to 4 p.m.

The restaurant will also offer special Carnaval cocktails — including several caipirinhas ($11-$13) — from Friday through next Tuesday. Festivities end on March 8 with a $50-per-person, three-course dinner featuring traditional Brazilian foods such as feijaoda and fritters.

*This is a lie.

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KEEPING COOL

Esperanza Spalding doesn't feel pressure to save jazz or to hide from rabid Bieber fans

Personalities

After shocking the universe by winning a Grammy for best new artist two weeks ago — besting the likes of Justin Bieber and Drake — Esperanza Spalding spent a week touring Japan. Then she boomeranged back to the West Coast to recharge alongside family and friends in her native Portland, Ore. This week, she jets off on a world tour that stops in Barcelona, Paris, Cape Town and Frederick, Md. (She was booked for the March 4 engagement long before her name was called on Grammy night. The show is sold out.)

But here's one place the globe-trotting jazz bassist with the chirpy singing voice hasn't been since her big Grammy win: on the Internet, where overzealous Bieber fans have been talking all kinds of digital smack. The 26-year-old shrugs it off with the kind of Freon cool you can feel through the telephone.

"I've heard about it, but I haven't seen any of it, and I don't want to," she says. "Just to be totally crude, my reaction, honestly, is, 'So, what?'"

Spalding has other pressures to cheerfully ignore, too, such as becoming the poster child for 21st-century jazz. She's the first jazz musician to win a Best New Artist Grammy, and many in the genre see her upset as a huge stamp of validation from the greater music industry.

Spalding says she doesn't feel responsible for carrying any torches, though. She feels responsible only for her own music. "I want to get better, because it's fun to be good," she says. "It's fun to be able to express yourself through this medium, but the medium demands a lot of time and attention. So, that's where I feel the responsibility."

After completing her tour in April, she'll spend the hot months chipping away at "Radio Music Society," an ambitious new recording that Spalding says will aim to capture the spontaneity of improvisation and frame it in the sonics of contemporary pop. The album is being produced by Q-Tip from A Tribe Called Quest, and Spalding hopes it will help bring jazz back to the mainstream U.S. airwaves.

"I don't know if that will really happen," Spalding says. "But it's an inspiring objective." CHRIS RICHARDS (THE WASHINGTON POST)

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Compiled by Fiona Zublin. For more upcoming events, follow the Top Stops blog at expressnightout.com/topstops.

top stops

1 Dance Partners

Fred Astaire may have had a receding hairline, but he was probably the most stylish man from Hollywood's Golden Age (sorry, Cary Grant!), and "Swing Time" is one of his most wonderful, ridiculous dance extravaganzas. You can see it as part of the AFI's Ginger Rogers retrospective. ***AFI Silver, 8633 Colesville Road, Silver Spring; through Thu.; 301-495-6720. (Silver Spring)***

2 Youth Movements

It might be a little ridiculous for pundits to keep calling Egypt's popular uprising a "Facebook Revolution," given the Internet was turned off in the country for a couple weeks during the protests. But the digital world does affect the way journalists can cover said protests, so we're looking forward to the NPC's panel discussion on digital media and revolution in the Middle East. ***National Press Club, 529 14th St. NW; 6:30 p.m., free; 202-662-7500. (Metro Center)***

3 Pizza and Prose

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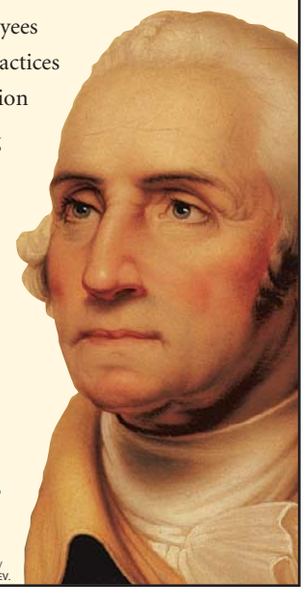

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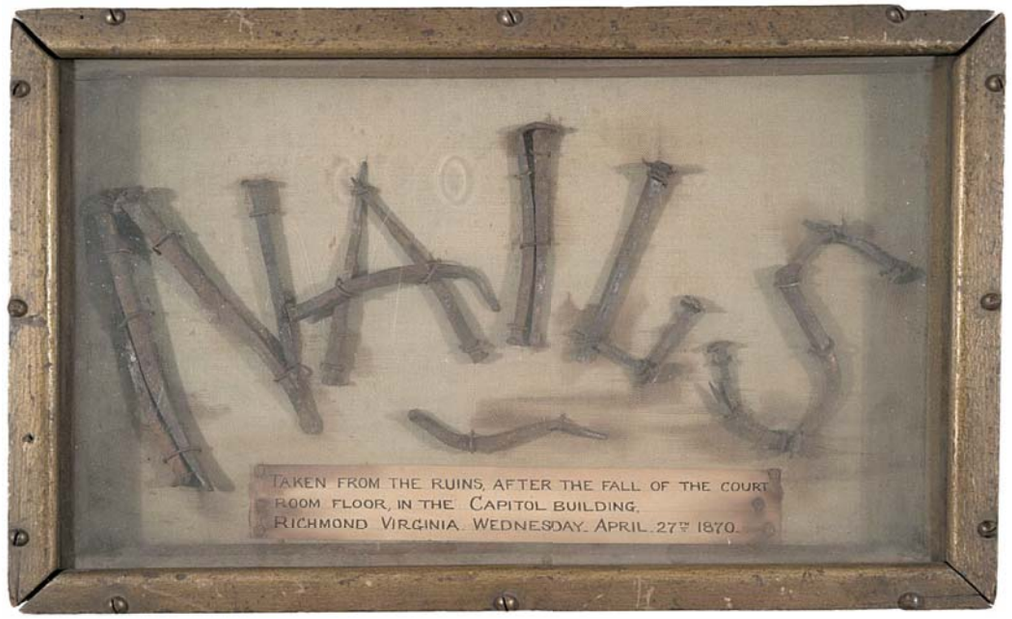
An exhibit of historical oddities suggests our ephemera will define us in centuries ahead

Museums



VIRGINIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Among the "Bizarre Bits" are nails that were taken from the ruins of the Virginia Capitol's fallen courtroom floor in 1870.

In 1876, a Virginia man named William Massie, eager to spare his family from smallpox, sent to his father by mail a tiny, reddish splotch of human tissue. It was a smallpox scab, for the recipients to rub onto an open cut in their skin in an effort to inoculate themselves.

Today, you can view that scab in a strangely alluring exhibit at the Virginia Historical Society in Richmond, Va., titled "Bizarre Bits: Oddities From the Collection." There is also a necklace made from the hair of James Madison and a block of tree fungus carved into an adoring portrait of Robert E. Lee on his horse, Traveller.

There's something about a random collection of stuff that attracts attention, even though such randomness would hardly be a magnet in almost any other area of the arts. But museums find themselves with storehouses full of things that aren't quite the work of acclaimed masters, and hauling odd pieces out for a show now and then ends up being strikingly illuminating.

The Virginia Historical Society, which has been collecting items since 1831, owns a surfeit of what it calls "peculiar, perplexing or even grotesque objects" that "provide insight into the hopes, fears, assumptions and practices of the past."

That it does, but that raises a question about modern museums: Are they still collecting such bits? What will be saved from our ever-more-electronic lives?

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Most likely we will have a more complete record of official and legal actions than ever before. But will they be as revealing as a handwritten account of an 1832 trial of one Grace Sherwood on charges of witchcraft? It says the judge appointed five women to examine Sherwood's body in full, whereupon they found "two things like titts on her private parts" that she apparently used to suckle demons.

Would today's curators overcome ethical qualms and collect items that represent cruelty, ignorance or invasion of privacy? We can only hope they will, because only then will our descendants be able to figure out just who we really were, in all our glory and infamy.

MARC FISHER (THE WASHINGTON POST)

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"He's a Tramp" from "Lady and the Tramp" is reimagined as jazz on a new album.

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Disney classics are jazzed up on this new compilation album

Disney Jazz, Volume 1
Various Artists

Music Review

To get the most out of "Disney Jazz, Volume 1: Everybody Wants to be a Cat" (Walt Disney Records), a compilation album featuring jazz renderings of 13 classic Disney tunes, try listening without looking at the song list first — then wait for that satisfying "Oh, yeah!" moment as your childhood and adulthood musically meet in one satisfying mash-up.

The first volume of Disney's jazz collection brings together some of the genre's masters and newcomers, including the Dave Brubeck Trio and Dianne Reeves.

From the swingin' piano and horns on Roy Hargrove's "Ev'rybody Wants to be a Cat" ("The Aristocats") to Joshua Redman's staccato sax on "You've Got a Friend in Me" ("Toy Story") to Nikki Yanofsky's earnest vocals on "It's a Small World," these covers are a treat both for children still enjoying the films and adults looking for a little nostalgia with a side of upright bass.

"Gaston" ("Beauty and the Beast") by the Bad Plus, with its bold piano and frenetic drums, is a grown-up take that holds on to the silliness and spirit of the original. "He's a Tramp" ("Lady and the Tramp") is a mixed bag with outsized vocals by Reeves but a tempo just a tad too lackadaisical.

KAREN HAWKINS (AP)

Casting Call

Build a Meme: A collection of Internet stars are making a movie. Producer Andrew Fischer has gathered more than a half-dozen YouTube phenoms for **"The Chronicles of Rick Roll."** The film will star Antoine Dodson, left, known for the Bed Intruder Song; Bear Vasquez (the "Double Rainbow" guy); and Gary Brolsma (Numa Numa), among other luminaries. **(AP)**

TV tonight lookout

Best Bets

NBC 8:00

Chuck Chuck pressures Vivian (guest star Lauren Cohan) to get in touch with her inner villain; Sarah (Yvonne Strahovski, left) struggles to find her inner bride as wedding plans accelerate. Morgan's search for a new roommate has unexpected results.

FOX 9:00

The Chicago Code Jarek and Caleb race to stop a suspect who may have ties to the Chicago Liberation Army after a city building is bombed.

TLC 9:30

Outrageous Kid Parties Erin is planning a pirate party for her little boy, who is turning 8, but her stepmother is determined to have a disco theme instead.

FOX 9:00

Hawaii Five-0 McGarrett and the team are summoned to protect a ruthless dictator from assassination after a member of a security detail for an upcoming aid summit is murdered. (TRIBUNE MEDIA)

TRAVEL CHANNEL

NO RESERVATIONS

Is He Losing His Edge?

TRAVEL 9:00

The seventh season of Anthony Bourdain's "No Reservations" will concentrate on less-than-trendy destinations, including disaster areas in Haiti and former political hot spots like Nicaragua. Let's hope the change of scenery agrees with Bourdain. He was treading water last season. He showed a lot of home movies and reminded us that he wasn't always famous. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

Stunt Casting

Dogg Days

A chance meeting with Snoop Dogg on "90210" (8 p.m., CW) could mean good things for Shirazi Studios as Navid and Dixon formalize their partnership. Naomi hopes to score points with Max (guest star Josh Zuckerman) by donning an "Avatar" costume. Adrianna seeks revenge after learning the truth about Navid. (TM)

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"Yes, because the GOP still hasn't figured out that you can't cut your way back to prosperity."
COMMENTER CM LEVIN

"Yes, unless cooler heads prevail among House Republicans and Senate Democrats. Right now the ideologues in both parties seem more interested in going on power trips and playing political games than looking for the common ground and doing what is best for the country."
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Blog Log

"Let's face it: CNN has a women problem. Need proof? Do the math. Last year, seven major anchors left CNN. Of the seven, five were women! Should we, therefore, be at all surprised by CNN's modus operandi when ratings for Parker Spitzer hit the skids? Of course not. To get rid of the problem, get rid of the woman."

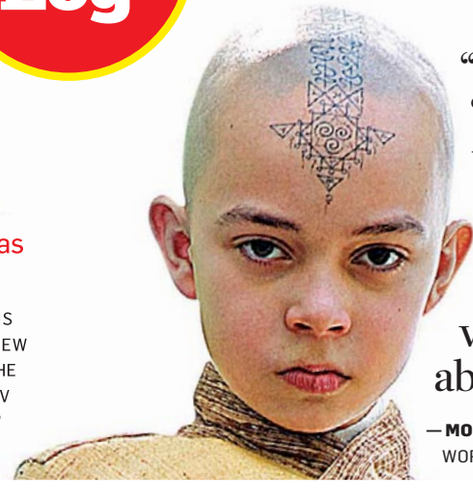
— **HUFFINGTONPOST.COM'S** AMY SISKIND THINKS KATHLEEN PARKER'S DEPARTURE FROM HER SHOW WITH ELIOT SPITZER WAS TO BE EXPECTED.

"What an absolute calamity that was from Szczesny and Koscielny. That would be an embarrassing goal to concede at the best of times, but with the game level in the 90th minute of a Carling Cup final? Arsenal's trophy curse is a spectacularly strong one."

— **SBNATION.COM** REACTS TO THE POPULAR SOCCER CLUB'S 2-1 LOSS TO BIRMINGHAM CITY SUNDAY. ARSENAL HASN'T WON A TROPHY IN SIX YEARS, AND THE WIN WAS THE FIRST TIME BIRMINGHAM CITY HAD WON THE CARLING CUP SINCE 1963.

"It seems ol' Charlie Sheen has Rick Sanchezed himself."

— TV PERSONALITY **TOURE** TWEETED HIS TAKE ON CHARLIE SHEEN'S RADIO INTERVIEW OUTBURST THAT EVENTUALLY LED TO THE CANCELLATION OF SHEEN'S POPULAR TV SHOW ON CBS, "TWO AND A HALF MEN."



"To completely clean up, 'The Last Air Bender' also won Worst Screenplay. Unfortunately, M. Night Shyamalan did not star in the [movie], or he might very well have won in just about every category possible."

— **MOVIESONLINE.CA** THOUGHT "AIRBENDER" DESERVED ITS WORST PICTURE OF THE YEAR AWARD FROM THE RAZZIES.

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PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) If you're too aggressive, you'll encounter more in the way of real resistance than you have in the past. Lighten up a bit.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You have what it takes to solve a problem others have been wrestling with for some time. Your interpersonal skills will figure prominently.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) If it's a creative endeavor, it's for you. Your creativity may well be at an all-time high, and you mustn't squander it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) What you call freedom to experiment another may call mere indecision — and, indeed, he or she may know something you do not.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You can derive much more from casual small talk than usual, and you'll want to listen to those who seem to have little to say.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You don't want to charge that which you can pay for outright. Solid money management is essential at this time.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You'll be able to come to another's assistance and still serve your own agenda faithfully. It's a good day for such multitasking.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Do you really want to stick your neck out? Self-preservation is a real issue at this time, and you mustn't be careless.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Your own feeling of power and supremacy may be threatened by someone who seems to know more than you about certain key issues.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Your efforts will surely be appreciated, especially by those whose own efforts have been falling short lately.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You'll find yourself admiring what someone else is able to accomplish, but take care that it doesn't morph into outright jealousy.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Someone is waiting for you to complete a project that is now overdue. There is a good reason, however, for the delay.

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E1	U1	U1	B3	G2	D2	B3		
							Double Word Score	RACK 4
A1	I1	I1	I1	T1	L1	M3		

Friday's Solution

A1	M3	A1	S1	S1	E1	D2	RACK 1 =	60
M3	A1	R1	R1	O1	W4		RACK 2 =	11
F4	U1	R1	T1	H4	E1	R1	RACK 3 =	65
M3	A1	N1	A1	G2	E1	D2	RACK 4 =	72
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Friday's Solution

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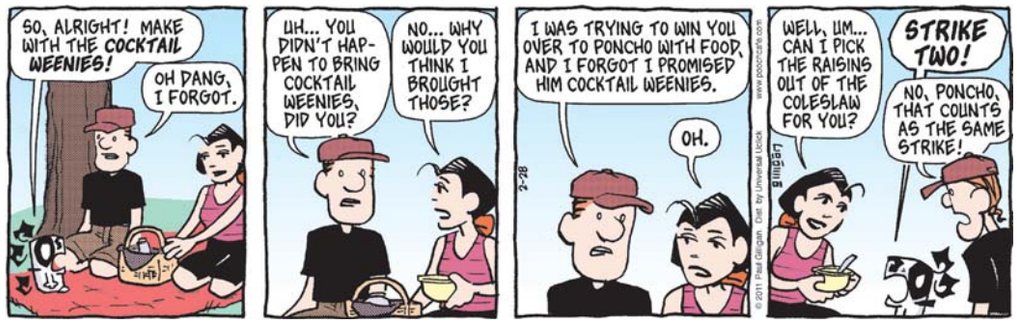

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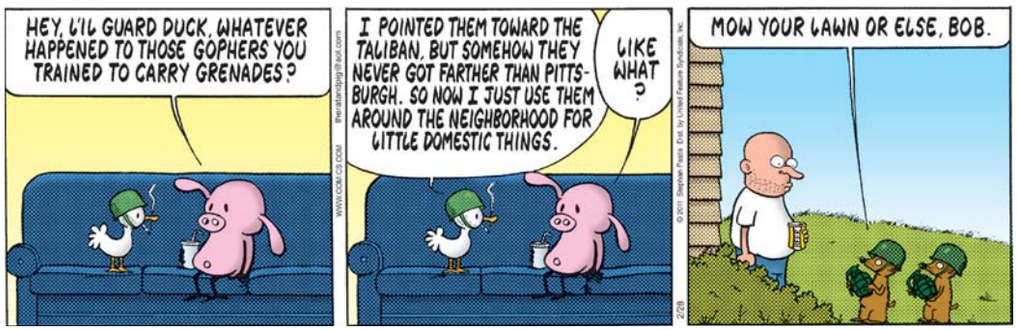

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50 | 34

Tomorrow: Mostly sunny tomorrow. Clear tomorrow night.

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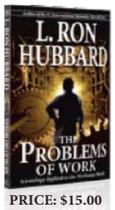

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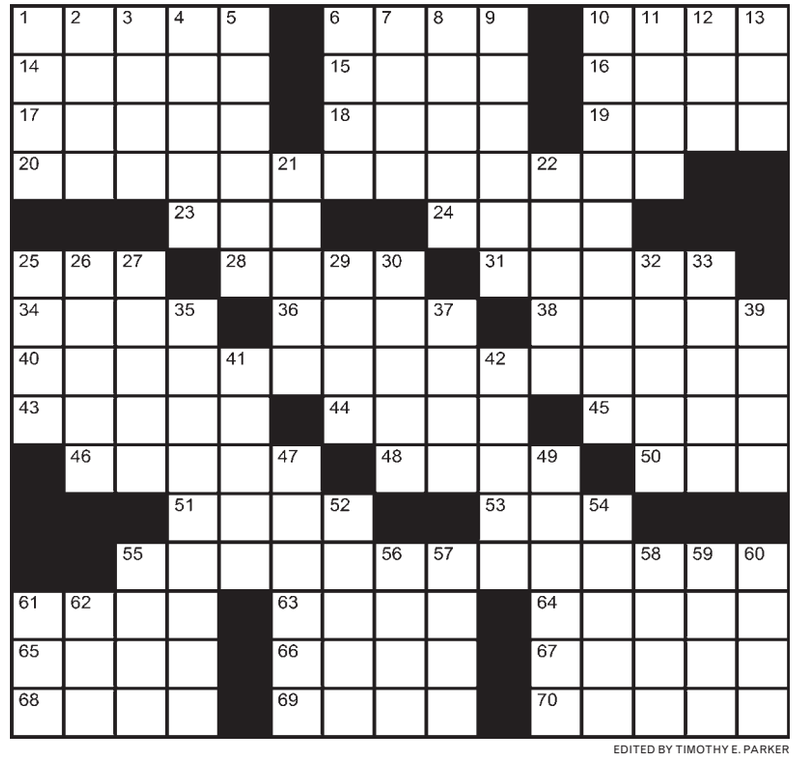

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ACROSS

1 City in Japan
6 ATM output
10 Barely open, as a door
14 Steamboat site
15 "I Love ___" (classic TV show)
16 Not one, in Dogpatch
17 Wanted poster word
18 Subject of fission
19 "Have a ___ day!"
20 "Do You Believe in Magic" group
23 "Full Metal Jacket" setting, informally
24 Gloomy shadow
25 Fish with a long snout
28 Nothing to write home about
31 Spring flower
34 "1000 Oceans" singer Tori
36 Stretched tightly
38 Celebratory smoke
40 Have surgery
43 Be an omen of
44 Invention genesis
45 Country crooner Campbell
46 Make another eBay offer
48 Couple in a rowboat
50 Superlative ending
51 A mere step away
53 ___ for tat
55 Lost traveler's bane
61 Favoritism or discrimination
63 "I've finished," on a radio
64 Charlie Brown's sister
65 Supply company of cartoondom
66 Airport vehicle
67 Make a slight adjustment to
68 "No good ___ goes unpunished"
69 Sax type for Charlie Parker
70 Without company

DOWN

1 By word of mouth
2 Airtight tower
3 Tel ___, Israel
4 Bacon in Hollywood
5 Bloated concert venues
6 Give an ovation
7 Workers in Detroit make a dash for it
8 Juicy tidbit
9 Church songbook
10 Declaring invalid, as a marriage
11 Monopoly corner
12 Comet's path in the sky
13 Alternative to seven-grain
21 Whomped, a la Samson
22 Wrist action
25 Completely infatuated
26 "My Cherie ___" (Stevie Wonder song)
27 "Moulin ___"
29 Bollywood dress
30 Top
32 Able to jump through hoops?
33 Al fresco eateries
35 Like some pliers
37 "Take ___ Train" (Duke Ellington song)
39 Where part of a paycheck may go
41 Comparatively arid
42 "Planet of the Apes" planet
47 Territory divided into two states in 1889
49 Nap, south of the border
52 Adversary
54 Fish with a big net
55 Celebs acquire it
56 "America's ___ Top Model"
57 Duo plus one
58 Bar in the fridge, perhaps
59 "Two and a Half Men" role
60 TV's Dick Van ___
61 1987 Michael Jackson album
62 Arctic surface

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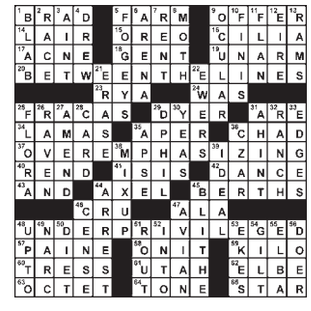

Today in History

1953 Scientists James D. Watson and Francis H.C. Crick announce they have discovered the double-helix structure of DNA, the molecule that contains the human genes.

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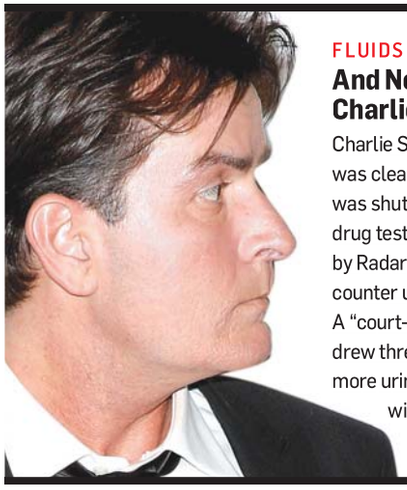

FLUIDS

And Now Radar Can Clone Charlie Sheen. Eat That, TMZ!

Charlie Sheen, in an effort to prove he was clean when "Two and a Half Men" was shut down, has submitted to two drug tests arranged and supervised by Radaronline.com staff. An over-the-counter urine test was negative for drugs. A "court-certified toxicology laboratory" drew three vials of Sheen's blood, plus more urine, for further testing; the results will be posted on Radaronline.com Monday morning. **(EXPRESS)**

TELEVISION

Intern Manning the Profanity Buzzer Lost Feeling in His Fingers

ABC says it will broadcast an interview with Charlie Sheen recorded after the rant that led CBS and Warner Bros. to halt production of "Two and a Half Men" for the season. The interview will be broadcast at 10 p.m. Tuesday. **(AP)**

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Here's another slightly buffoon-ish photo of Charlie Sheen to deface.

Dirtbag Digest

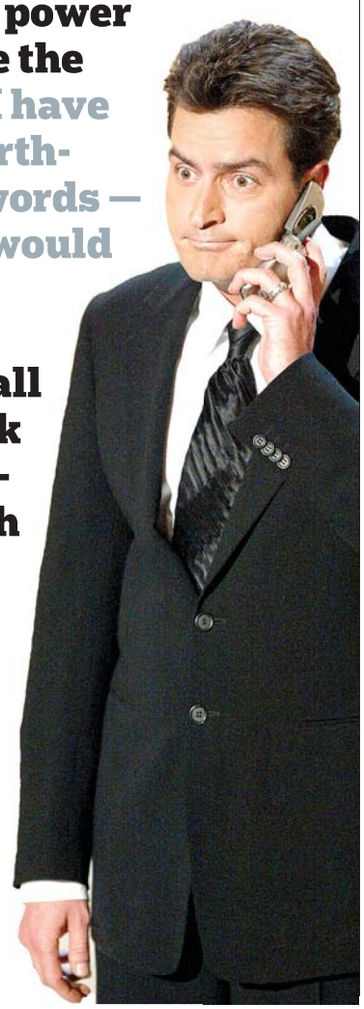
It Gets Worse!

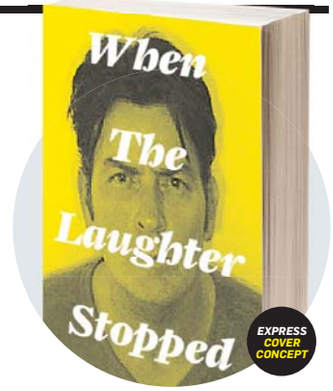
The Anti-Defamation League frowns on Charlie Sheen's use of Chuck Lorre's Jewish name, Chaim Levine, in his rantings. "Sheen left the impression that another reason for his dislike of Mr. Lorre is his Jewishness," said national director Abraham Foxman. Sheen says he wanted to "address the man, not the [expletive] TV persona." **(EXPRESS)**

IMMORTAL WORDS

"I gracefully ignored this folly for 177 shows ... I fire back once and this contaminated maggot can't handle my power and can't handle the truth ... Clearly I have defeated this earthworm with my words — imagine what I would have done with my fire-breathing fists. I urge all my [fans] to walk with me side-by-side as we march up the steps of justice to right this unconscionable wrong."

Charlie Sheen said the above in an open letter posted on TMZ.com Thursday after producer Chuck Lorre shut down "Two and a Half Men" for the season. Prior rants against Lorre and others precipitated the cancellation. (EXPRESS)





MEMOIRS

Subtitle: 'You've Already Read Most of This on TMZ'

Charlie Sheen tells TMZ.com that he's writing a book about "Two and a Half Men" that he wants to sell at least for $10 million. He says the work, tentatively titled "When the Laughter Stopped," will depict the inner workings of the show and detail what led to this past week's ruckus. **(EXPRESS)**

"Contrary to the rumors, i am not replacing Charlie Sheen on Two and Half Men. however, Martin Sheen has asked me to be his son."

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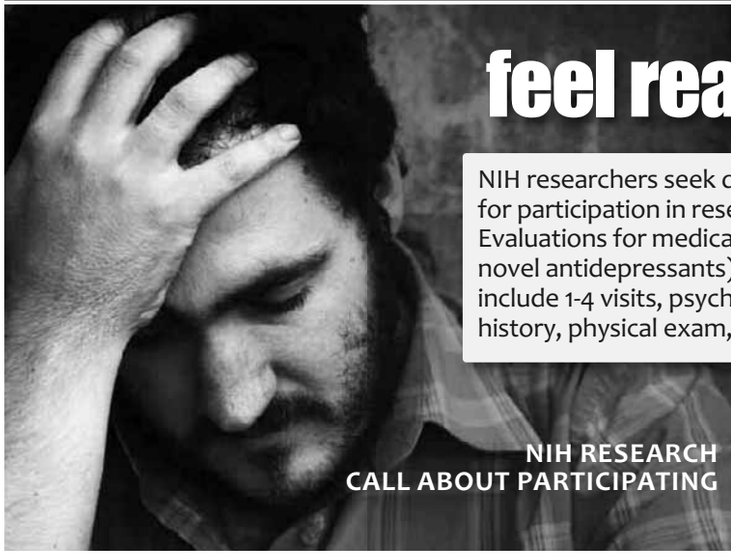

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